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COUNTRY <u>East Germany</u>	REPORT	
TOPIC <u>Exercises in the Tangerhuetten area and Military Shipments in</u> <u>Holmstedt and Stendal</u>		
EVALUATION <u>[redacted]</u>	PLACE OBTAINED <u>[redacted]</u>	
DATE OF CONTENT <u>[redacted]</u>		
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REFERENCES		
PAGES <u>2</u>	ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)	
REMARKS		
This is UNEVALUATED		

1. At about 1130 on 3 August 1954, 1 armored scout car and about 6 trucks with billeting equipment proceeded from the direction of Lahnwinkel through Tangerhuetten-Briest toward the northwest. At about 1500, a large tent was seen in the woods about 2 km north of Tangerhuetten. Many soldiers doing spadework were also seen near the tent. At 0900 on 4 August, 3 large tents, 2 armored scout cars, 1 radio truck and about 8 trucks [redacted] were also observed. At about 1230 on 5 August, several trucks [redacted] all of them occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets proceeded on the Heesse-Barthe-Tangerhuetten road. <sup>1</sup>
2. On 4 August, an empty train of 5 boxcars and 12 flatcars was made available at the Holmstedt railroad station. At 0915 on 5 August, it was inferred indications including tank tracks at the loading ramp that the train had been loaded. Several empty trains were parked at the railroad station. Between 0930 and 1300, about 40 trucks, 3 tanks, 2x76.2-mm AT guns, and 4x57-mm AT guns were loaded. This shipment with an additional 12 boxcars departed toward the north at 1500. Subsequently, about 30 trucks, 2 light AT guns and about 6 infantry guns were entrained. The shipment with an additional 8 boxcars was dispatched toward the north at 1600. [redacted]
3. At 1430 on 5 August, a train of several boxcars with personnel wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets, and flatcars with about 30 trucks [redacted] was observed at the Stendal railroad station. The train came from the east and went toward the north or west. <sup>2</sup>
1. [redacted] Comment. Components of the Third Shock Army and [redacted] details of the 19th Gds Mech Div presumably held small-scale exercises in the Tangerhuetten area in early August. It could not be determined that these exercises were connected with exercises which components of the IX Ltz Rifle Corps held in the Letzing Heath area at the same time.
2. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] these

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shipments mainly involved units of the 94th Gds Rifle Div returning to their military posts. Units of this division and, probably, components of the 1A Mtz Rifle Corps had transferred to exercises in the Istaling Moath area on 24 to 26 July 1954.

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